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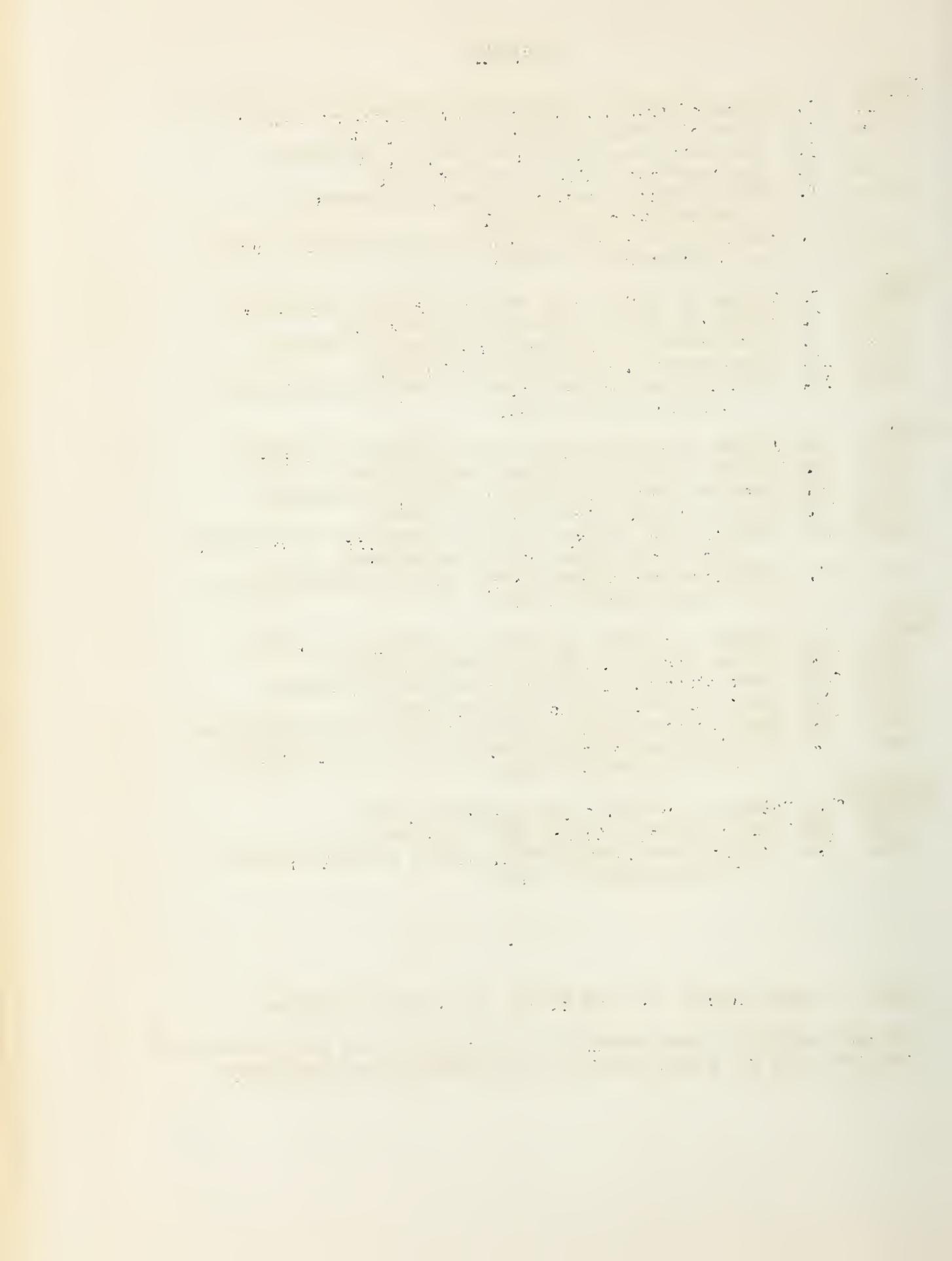


Table 1. WHEAT: Volume of trading, all futures combined, by markets
September 1955

Date	Chicago Board of Trade bushels	Minneapolis Grain Exchange bushels	Kansas City Board of Trade bushels	Other contract markets bushels	Total bushels
1955	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
September	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>
1	16,091	2,934	1,255	505	20,785
2	9,500	2,457	889	333	13,179
Saturday					
Sunday					
Holiday					
6	14,909	3,308	1,036	451	19,704
7	14,298	2,634	912	385	18,229
8	15,021	2,600	1,465	720	19,806
9	8,530	2,742	784	414	12,470
Saturday					
Sunday					
12	12,030	2,423	987	542	15,982
13	18,559	2,100	1,846	550	23,055
14	10,150	1,979	1,359	508	13,996
15	15,345	2,630	1,890	832	20,697
16	14,069	1,801	1,047	503	17,420
Saturday					
Sunday					
19	11,102	2,058	1,217	462	14,839
20	13,199	1,545	1,986	378	17,108
21	12,039	1,973	1,819	443	16,274
22	27,221	1,808	2,123	656	31,808
23	14,279	1,876	1,926	418	18,499
Saturday					
Sunday					
26	23,768	2,084	3,328	552	29,732
27	12,679	1,310	1,840	343	16,172
28	10,005	1,354	1,499	401	13,259
29	8,746	1,342	1,058	458	11,604
30	8,236	1,421	2,911	371	12,939
Total					
Sept., 1955	289,776	44,379	33,177	10,225	377,557
Aug. 1955	378,945	71,753	50,516	10,766	511,980
Sept. 1954	235,769	44,314	23,556	6,942	310,581

Table 2. WHEAT: Volume of trading, Chicago Board of Trade
September 1955

Date	Future						All futures
	September	December	March	May	July	September	
	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	
1955 September							
1	1,978	9,506	2,500	1,681	426	16,091	
2	1,135	5,732	1,399	803	431	9,500	
Saturday							
Sunday							
Holiday							
6	1,089	8,747	2,981	1,310	782	14,909	
7	1,697	8,100	2,029	1,746	726	14,298	
8	690	8,899	2,723	1,947	762	15,021	
9	313	4,906	1,869	1,096	346	8,530	
Saturday							
Sunday							
12	631	6,249	2,744	1,850	556	12,030	
13	565	11,385	3,261	2,130	1,218	18,559	
14	421	6,280	1,752	911	786	10,150	
15	453	8,409	3,026	2,077	1,380	15,345	
16	618	6,903	2,809	2,372	1,367	14,069	
Saturday							
Sunday							
19	760	5,763	2,108	1,454	1,017	11,102	
20	1,226	7,201	2,297	1,625	850	13,199	
21	2,179	6,472	1,657	1,258	473	12,039	
22	---	14,484	6,152	4,481	2,104	27,221	
23	---	6,970	2,710	2,844	1,755	14,279	
Saturday							
Sunday							
26	---	9,727	5,300	6,309	2,432	23,768	
27	---	6,209	2,673	2,606	1,191	12,679	
28	---	4,510	2,195	1,806	1,494	10,005	
29	---	4,039	2,062	1,572	1,073	8,716	
30	---	3,738	2,335	1,222	941	8,236	
Total							
Sept. 1955	13,755	154,229	56,582	43,100	22,110	289,776	
Aug. 1955	88,176	192,204	53,097	34,593	10,875	378,945	
Sept. 1954	17,305	128,256	42,872	39,356	7,980	235,769	

Table 3. WHEAT: Open contracts, all futures combined, by markets
September 1955

Date	Chicago Board of Trade	Minneapolis Grain Exchange	Kansas City: Board of Trade	Other contract markets	Total
1955 September	1,000 <u>bushels</u>	1,000 <u>bushels</u>	1,000 <u>bushels</u>	1,000 <u>bushels</u>	1,000 <u>bushels</u>
1	87,223	13,098	30,355	677	131,353
2	87,589	13,137	29,804	596	131,126
Saturday					
Sunday					
Holiday					
6	87,514	12,509	29,473	646	130,142
7	87,980	12,194	29,586	716	130,476
8	87,249	12,167	29,457	663	129,536
9	87,585	12,123	29,351	623	129,682
Saturday					
Sunday					
12	87,488	12,235	29,203	800	129,726
13	87,539	12,028	29,106	729	129,402
14	87,181	11,803	28,995	799	128,778
15	87,285	11,702	28,889	1,081	128,957
16	87,727	11,570	28,863	1,045	129,205
Saturday					
Sunday					
19	88,055	11,770	28,664	927	129,416
20	87,382	11,681	28,658	927	128,648
21	86,205	11,423	28,749	948	127,325
22	84,219	11,593	28,168	778	124,758
23	82,309	11,705	27,523	712	122,249
Saturday					
Sunday					
26	79,485	11,644	26,950	772	118,851
27	78,928	11,532	26,898	750	118,108
28	78,775	11,396	26,923	696	117,790
29	78,417	11,366	26,928	665	117,376
30	78,826	11,208	27,007	634	117,675

Table 4. WHEAT: Open contracts, Chicago Board of Trade
September 1955

Date	Future						All futures
	September	December	March	May	July		
	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels		
	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels		
1955							
September							
1	6,255	42,529	22,472	12,461	3,506	87,223	
2	6,288	42,307	22,633	12,584	3,777	87,589	
Saturday							
Sunday							
Holiday							
6	5,698	42,193	22,992	12,693	3,938	87,514	
7	4,772	42,757	23,367	13,117	3,967	87,980	
8	4,254	42,730	23,189	12,987	4,089	87,249	
9	4,158	42,399	23,674	13,100	4,254	87,585	
Saturday							
Sunday							
12	3,898	42,706	23,553	12,947	4,384	87,488	
13	3,532	42,533	23,859	12,927	4,688	87,539	
14	3,265	42,309	23,995	12,819	4,793	87,181	
15	3,040	42,058	24,021	12,813	5,353	87,285	
16	2,619	42,103	24,351	13,000	5,654	87,727	
Saturday							
Sunday							
19	2,252	42,380	24,270	13,345	5,808	88,055	
20	1,630	42,270	24,278	13,375	5,829	87,382	
21	485	42,125	24,327	13,363	5,905	86,205	
22	215	39,625	24,325	13,676	6,378	84,219	
23	---	37,905	23,976	13,902	6,526	82,309	
Saturday							
Sunday							
26	---	35,700	23,250	14,026	6,509	79,485	
27	---	35,296	23,126	13,950	6,556	78,928	
28	---	35,218	23,059	14,087	6,411	78,775	
29	---	34,694	22,853	14,202	6,668	78,417	
30	---	34,506	22,959	14,476	6,885	78,826	

Table 5. WHEAT: Daily closing prices, at Chicago, Minneapolis
 Kansas City and Liverpool
 September 1955

Date	1955 December future				1955 October future
	Chicago	Minneapolis	Kansas City	Board of	Liverpool 1/
	Board of	Grain	Board of	Trade	Trade
1955					
September	<u>Cents</u>	<u>Cents</u>	<u>Cents</u>		<u>Cents</u>
1	196 7/8-97	224 3/8	209 3/8		190 1/8 n
2	195 7/8-96	223 7/8	209 1/4		190 3/4 n
Saturday					
Sunday					
Holiday					
6	199 1/8-3/8	225 7/8	210 7/8		190 1/8 n
7	198 3/8-1/2	226	211		190 1/8 n
8	199 1/2-5/8	226 3/8	212 1/4		190 1/8 n
9	198 7/8-99	227 3/8-1/2	211 7/8		190 1/8 n
Saturday					
Sunday					
12	200 5/8-3/4	227 3/8	213 1/8		190 1/8 n
13	201 1/2-5/8	229 3/8	214 1/2-5/8		190 1/8 n
14	200 7/8-01	230	213 5/8-3/4		190 3/8 n
15	200 3/4-7/8	230 1/8	213 7/8		190 1/8 n
16	201 1/2	230 1/8-1/4	213 7/8		190 1/8 n
Saturday					
Sunday					
19	201 1/4-1/2	229 3/4	213 3/8		192 1/4 n
20	200 1/4-3/8	229 1/8	213 3/8		192 1/4 n
21	200 3/8-1/2	229 7/8 a	212 3/4-7/8		193 3/4 n
22	204 3/8-1/2	233 1/8	214 3/4-7/8		193 3/4 n
23	203 3/4-04	231 5/8	214 5/8-3/4		193 3/4 n
Saturday					
Sunday					
26	203 3/8-1/2	231 3/8	215 1/8		193 3/4 n
27	203 1/8-1/4	230 5/8	213 7/8		193 3/4 n
28	204 1/8-1/4	231 1/2-5/8	213 7/8		193 3/4 n
29	203 7/8-04	230 5/8	213 1/2		193 3/4 n
30	204 1/2-5/8	231	213 5/8		193 3/4 n

1/ As reported by the Chicago Board of Trade in cents per bushel converted from shillings and pence per cental.

Table 6. WHEAT: High, low and closing prices, three principal futures, Chicago Board of Trade, September 1955

Date	1955 September future			1955 December future			1956 March future		
	High	Low	Closing	High	Low	Closing	High	Low	Closing
September	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents
1	193 1/2	191 1/2	193 1/8-1/4	197 1/8	195 1/2	196 7/8-97	198 3/4	197 1/4	198 1/8-3/8
2	193 3/8	192 1/8	192 1/8-1/4	197 1/8	195 7/8	195 7/8-96	198 1/2	197 3/8	197 3/8-1/2
Saturday									
Sunday									
Holiday									
6	195 5/8	192 1/4	195 1/2-5/8	199 3/8	195 7/8	199 1/8-3/8	200 3/8	197 1/4	200 1/8-3/8
7	195 1/2	194 1/2	194 7/8-95	199 1/4	198 1/4	198 3/8-1/2	200 1/2	199 1/2	200 1/2-1/2
8	196 3/4	195 1/4	196-96 1/8	200 1/4	198 1/2	199 1/2-5/8	201 3/4	200 1/4	201-01 1/4
9	196 1/4	195	195 3/4	199 3/4	198 1/2	198 7/8-99	201 3/8	200 1/8	200 3/4
Saturday									
Sunday									
12	197 3/4	195 1/4	197 5/8-3/4	200 3/4	198 1/2	200 5/8-3/4	202 1/2	200 1/8	202 3/8-1/2
13	198 1/2	196 1/4	198 3/8-1/2	201 5/8	199 1/2	201 1/2-5/8	203 1/2	201 1/4	203 3/8-1/2
14	198 1/4	197 1/2	198 1/8-1/4	201 3/8	200 3/8	200 7/8-01	203 1/4	202 3/8	202 7/8-03
15	199 1/4	197 1/2	197 7/8-98	202 1/4	200 3/4	200 3/4-7/8	204 1/4	202 7/8	203-03 1/8
16	198 5/8	197 1/4	198 1/2-5/8	201 3/4	200 1/8	201 1/2	204	202 1/4	202 5/8-3/4
Saturday									
Sunday									
19	198 5/8	197 3/8	198 1/2-5/8	201 1/2	200	201 1/4-1/2	203 1/2	202 1/2	203 3/8-1/2
20	199 1/4	197 1/2	197 1/2-5/8	202 1/8	200 1/4	200 1/4-3/8	204 1/2	202 3/4	202 3/4-7/8
21	198	196 1/2	197 1/2-98	201	199 7/8	200 3/8-1/2	203 3/8	202 1/2	203 3/8
22	---	---	---	205	200	204 3/8-1/2	208	202 3/8	206 3/4-07
23	---	---	---	204 3/8	202 7/8	203 3/4-04	206 7/8	205 3/4	206 5/8-3/4
Saturday									
Sunday									
26	---	---	---	208	203	203 5/8-1/2	211 1/4	205 1/2	206 1/2-5/8
27	---	---	---	204 1/4	202 1/2	203 1/8-1/4	207	205 3/8	206-06 1/8
28	---	---	---	204 1/4	202 1/2	204 1/8-1/4	207	205 3/8	206 7/8-07
29	---	---	---	205 1/8	203 3/4	203 7/8-04	207 3/4	206 3/8	206 5/8-3/4
30	---	---	---	204 5/8	203 1/4	204 1/2-5/8	207 1/4	205 3/4	207-07 1/4

Table 7. CORN: Volume of trading, all futures combined, by markets
September 1955

Date	Chicago Board of Trade	1,000 bushels	Other contract markets	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels
1955	1,000		1,000		1,000
<u>September</u>	<u>bushels</u>		<u>bushels</u>		<u>bushels</u>
1	14,959		313		15,272
2	9,501		327		9,828
Saturday					
Sunday					
Holiday					
6	12,174		172		12,346
7	11,917		186		12,103
8	7,948		95		8,043
9	8,902		158		9,060
Saturday					
Sunday					
12	9,339		186		9,525
13	12,104		113		12,217
14	13,601		455		14,056
15	12,905		319		13,224
16	10,671		215		10,886
Saturday					
Sunday					
19	14,948		226		15,174
20	17,277		146		17,423
21	14,725		145		14,870
22	20,238		234		20,472
23	16,705		224		16,929
Saturday					
Sunday					
26	20,650		255		20,905
27	11,638		135		11,773
28	10,807		105		10,912
29	9,716		45		9,761
30	9,439		331		9,770
Total					
Sept. 1955	270,164		4,385		274,549
Aug. 1955	353,930		6,424		360,354
Sept. 1954	144,617		1,964		146,581

Table 8. CORN: Volume of trading, Chicago Board of Trade
September 1955

Date	Future					All futures
	September	December	March	May	July	
	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	
1955						
September						
1	1,555	9,692	2,492	1,220		14,959
2	2,231	5,594	773	903		9,501
Saturday						
Sunday						
Holiday						
6	1,760	8,257	776	1,381		12,174
7	1,577	8,780	699	861		11,917
8	1,063	5,161	658	966	100	7,948
9	618	6,455	879	835	115	8,902
Saturday						
Sunday						
12	1,255	5,760	1,135	1,114	75	9,339
13	1,086	7,979	1,624	1,405	10	12,104
14	1,046	9,299	1,949	1,292	15	13,601
15	938	8,555	1,551	1,688	173	12,905
16	923	7,211	1,491	919	127	10,671
Saturday						
Sunday						
19	1,058	9,253	1,448	2,468	721	14,948
20	1,227	10,304	3,071	1,777	898	17,277
21	4,046	7,336	1,201	1,827	315	14,725
22	---	12,129	3,876	3,467	766	20,238
23	---	9,683	3,302	3,316	404	16,705
Saturday						
Sunday						
26	---	11,189	3,765	4,769	927	20,650
27	---	7,136	2,083	2,130	289	11,638
28	---	6,243	2,148	2,122	294	10,807
29	---	6,079	1,286	2,119	232	9,716
30	---	6,413	1,291	1,607	128	9,439
Total						
Sept. 1955	20,383	168,508	37,498	38,186	5,589	270,164
Aug. 1955	66,985	221,154	36,799	28,992	---	353,930
Sept. 1954	24,608	82,957	14,766	19,722	2,564	144,617

Table 9. CORN: Open contracts, all futures combined, by markets
September 1955

Date	Chicago Board of Trade	Other contract markets	Total
<u>1955</u>	<u>1,000 bushels</u>	<u>1,000 bushels</u>	<u>1,000 bushels</u>
<u>September</u>			
1	60,807	582	61,389
2	61,501	467	61,968
Saturday			
Sunday			
Holiday			
6	61,761	473	62,234
7	61,536	478	62,014
8	61,488	480	61,968
9	62,514	451	62,965
Saturday			
Sunday			
12	62,557	468	63,025
13	63,302	465	63,767
14	64,402	497	64,899
15	64,281	586	64,867
16	65,021	602	65,623
Saturday			
Sunday			
19	64,728	516	65,244
20	63,612	455	64,067
21	61,478	450	61,928
22	62,464	383	62,847
23	62,404	393	62,797
Saturday			
Sunday			
26	63,090	384	63,474
27	62,680	378	63,058
28	63,154	398	63,562
29	63,296	398	63,694
30	63,210	406	63,616

Table 10. CORN: Open contracts, Chicago Board of Trade
September 1955

Date	Future					All futures
	September	December	March	May	July	
1955	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels
September						
1	6,657	35,651	8,597	9,902		60,807
2	6,692	35,974	8,829	10,006		61,501
Saturday						
Sunday						
Holiday						
6	6,270	36,319	8,911	10,261		61,761
7	6,088	36,264	8,841	10,343		61,536
8	5,914	36,396	8,858	10,320	100	61,488
9	5,789	36,908	9,065	10,567	185	62,514
Saturday						
Sunday						
12	5,436	37,056	9,112	10,698	255	62,557
13	5,345	37,457	9,211	11,034	255	63,302
14	4,892	38,051	9,912	11,277	270	64,402
15	4,681	37,589	9,871	11,758	382	64,281
16	4,536	38,262	10,129	11,741	353	65,021
Saturday						
Sunday						
19	3,855	37,813	10,035	12,272	753	64,728
20	3,062	36,439	9,926	12,819	1,366	63,612
21	670	36,555	9,997	12,800	1,456	61,478
22	515	36,695	10,319	13,394	1,541	62,464
23	370	36,402	10,158	13,945	1,529	62,404
Saturday						
Sunday						
26	310	36,322	10,248	14,428	1,782	63,090
27	260	35,671	10,164	14,745	1,840	62,680
28	140	36,119	10,103	14,938	1,864	63,164
29	70	36,414	10,016	14,910	1,886	63,296
30	---	36,187	10,203	14,902	1,918	63,210

Table 11. CORN: High, low and closing prices, three principal futures, Chicago Board of Trade, September 1955

Date	1955 September future			1955 December future			1956 March future		
	High	Low	Closing	High	Low	Closing	High	Low	Closing
1955									
September:	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents
1	:128 1/4	126 3/8	127 1/8-1/4	:129 1/4	126 7/8	126 7/8-27 1/8	:133 1/8	130 5/8	130 3/4-7/8
2	:127 3/4	126 7/8	127 1/4-1/2	:127 1/8	126 3/8	126 5/8-3/4	:130 7/8	130 1/4	130 1/2-5/8
Saturday:									
Sunday:									
Holiday:									
6	:129 1/2	127 3/8	129-29 1/8	:128 1/2	126 1/2	128 3/8-1/2	:132 3/8	130 3/8	132 1/4
7	:129 3/8	127 3/4	127 3/4-28	:129 1/2	127 1/2	127 5/8-3/4	:132 3/4	131 1/2	131 3/4
8	:128 5/8	127 3/8	128-28 1/8	:128 1/4	127 1/4	127 5/8-3/4	:132 1/4	131 1/4	131 3/4
9	:128 1/2	127 3/4	128-28 1/8	:128 3/4	127 1/2	127 3/4-7/8	:132 5/8	131 3/4	131 7/8
Saturday:									
Sunday:									
12	:128 1/2	126 3/4	127 7/8	:128 3/4	127	127 7/8-28	:132 3/4	131 1/4	132-32 1/8
13	:129 1/2	127 3/4	128 7/8	:129 1/2	127 5/8	129-29 1/8	:133 3/4	131 5/4	133 1/4
14	:130	128 1/2	129 7/8-30	:130	128 5/8	129 7/8-30	:134 1/4	132 7/8	134 1/4
15	:131 3/8	130	12-3/4	:131	129 3/4	129 3/4-7/8	:135 1/4	134 1/4	134-34 1/8
16	:130 1/2	129	129 1/8-1/4	:129 1/2	128 1/2	128 3/4-7/8	:133 3/4	132 3/4	132 7/8-33
Saturday:									
Sunday:									
19	:131	128-5/8	130 3/4-31	:130 7/8	128 3/8	130 5/8-3/4	:135 3/8	132 5/8	135 1/4-3/8
20	:132	130 7/8	131 1/4-3/8	:131 3/4	130 5/8	130 3/4-7/8	:136 1/4	134 7/8	134 7/8
21	:131 1/2	129	129-30 1/2	:131 3/8	130	131-31 1/4	:135 3/4	134 5/8	135-35 1/8
22	---	---	---	:135 1/2	130 5/8	133 1/8-1/4	:138 5/8	134 3/4	137 3/4
23	---	---	---	:135 1/2	132 3/4	134 3/4-7/8	:139 5/8	137 1/2	139 1/4-3/8
Saturday:									
Sunday:									
26	---	---	---	:141 3/4	133 5/8	136 1/4-1/2	:147 3/8	138 1/2	140 1/2-5/8
27	---	---	---	:136 5/8	135 1/2	135 3/4-7/8	:140 7/8	139 3/4	140 1/8
28	---	---	---	:135 1/4	133 3/4	134 1/2-5/8	:139 3/4	138 5/8	138 5/8
29	---	---	---	:135 1/2	133 1/2	133 1/2-5/8	:139 5/8	137 3/4	138 1/4
30	---	---	---	:133 1/2	132 1/8	132 5/8-3/4	:137 3/4	136 3/4	137 1/4

Table 12. OATS: Volume of trading, all futures combined, by markets
September 1955

Date	Chicago Board of Trade	Minneapolis Grain Exchange	Other contract markets	Total
1955	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels
September				
1	3,842	215	29	4,086
2	2,738	191	---	2,929
Saturday				
Sunday				
Holiday				
6	5,198	107	12	5,317
7	2,899	141	10	3,050
8	1,914	80	---	1,994
9	1,471	238	20	1,729
Saturday				
Sunday				
12	1,267	210	---	1,477
13	2,106	172	---	2,278
14	2,872	138	---	3,010
15	2,384	96	10	2,490
16	1,705	89	---	1,794
Saturday				
Sunday				
19	2,673	241	---	2,914
20	2,983	206	---	3,189
21	3,527	205	5	3,737
22	5,445	162	22	5,629
23	2,890	202	5	3,097
Saturday				
Sunday				
26	5,919	233	9	6,161
27	3,039	96	20	3,155
28	3,220	202	9	3,431
29	2,140	70	4	2,214
30	1,317	53	2	1,372
Total				
Sept. 1955	61,549	3,347	157	65,053
Aug. 1955	93,618	8,133	279	102,030
Sept. 1954	62,527	5,421	173	68,121

Table 13. OATS: Volume of trading, Chicago Board of Trade
September 1955

Date	Future					All futures
	September	December	March	May	July	
1955	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels
September						
1	954	1,837	454	597		3,842
2	1,081	965	234	458		2,738
Saturday						
Sunday						
Holiday						
6	1,723	2,083	627	765		5,198
7	572	1,254	684	389		2,899
8	539	833	306	236		1,914
9	302	684	193	292		1,471
Saturday						
Sunday						
12	239	644	162	222		1,267
13	311	1,006	480	309		2,106
14	302	1,970	394	206		2,872
15	97	1,525	455	307		2,384
16	101	807	435	362		1,705
Saturday						
Sunday						
19	149	1,493	581	450		2,673
20	266	1,616	771	330		2,983
21	1,044	1,786	404	293		3,527
22	---	3,497	1,223	705	20	5,445
23	---	1,761	631	434	64	2,890
Saturday						
Sunday						
26	---	3,628	1,448	688	155	5,919
27	---	1,786	857	361	35	3,039
28	---	1,884	896	350	90	3,220
29	---	1,331	421	323	65	2,140
30	---	702	345	248	22	1,317
Total						
Sept. 1955	7,680	33,092	12,001	8,325	451	61,549
Aug. 1955	22,621	48,221	14,655	8,121	---	93,618
Sept. 1954	9,880	29,591	10,731	12,114	211	62,527

Table 14. OATS: Open contracts, all futures combined, by markets
September 1955

Date	Chicago Board of Trade	Minneapolis Grain Exchange	Other contract markets	Total
1955	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels
<u>September</u>				
1	36,257	2,693	232	39,182
2	36,252	2,697	232	39,181
Saturday				
Sunday				
Holiday				
6	35,538	2,704	232	38,474
7	35,610	2,706	242	38,558
8	35,466	2,707	242	38,415
9	35,241	2,625	242	38,108
Saturday				
Sunday				
12	35,307	2,605	242	38,154
13	35,770	2,589	242	38,601
14	35,806	2,552	242	38,600
15	35,619	2,542	247	38,408
16	35,355	2,547	247	38,149
Saturday				
Sunday				
19	35,217	2,504	247	37,968
20	35,123	2,523	247	37,893
21	34,443	2,499	252	37,194
22	33,248	2,550	262	36,060
23	32,994	2,534	267	35,795
Saturday				
Sunday				
26	31,977	2,525	274	34,776
27	31,976	2,531	279	34,786
28	32,472	2,528	278	35,278
29	32,841	2,543	278	35,662
30	32,724	2,561	280	35,565

Table 15. OATS: Open contracts, Chicago Board of Trade
September 1955

Date	Future					All futures
	September	December	March	May	July	
	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	
1955						
September	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels
1	2,709	23,018	7,344	3,186		36,257
2	2,200	23,293	7,388	3,371		36,252
Saturday						
Sunday						
Holiday						
6	1,905	22,626	7,505	3,502		35,538
7	1,658	22,746	7,652	3,554		35,610
8	1,354	22,895	7,714	3,503		35,466
9	1,107	22,845	7,689	3,600		35,241
Saturday						
Sunday						
12	1,006	22,976	7,744	3,581		35,307
13	970	23,238	7,868	3,694		35,770
14	854	23,376	7,820	3,756		35,806
15	732	23,282	7,776	3,829		35,619
16	725	23,208	7,689	3,733		35,355
Saturday						
Sunday						
19	636	23,233	7,621	3,727		35,217
20	648	23,001	7,709	3,765		35,123
21	591	22,391	7,711	3,750		34,443
22	150	21,691	7,656	3,731	20	33,248
23	140	21,332	7,555	3,893	74	32,994
Saturday						
Sunday						
26	55	20,467	7,297	3,974	184	31,977
27	---	20,438	7,338	3,986	214	31,976
28	---	20,761	7,474	3,968	269	32,472
29	---	20,859	7,581	4,092	309	32,841
30	---	20,803	7,507	4,098	316	32,724

Table 16. OATS: Daily closing prices, Chicago, Minneapolis and Winnipeg; and rate of exchange, Canadian Currency
September 1955

Date	1955 December future				Exchange Rate Canadian Currency 2/
	Chicago Board of Trade	Minneapolis Grain Exchange	Winnipeg Grain Exchange	1/	
	1955	September	Cents	Cents	Cents
1	60 3/4-7/8	57 1/4 a	68 3/8 a	101.4114	
2	60 1/2-5/8	57 3/8	68 5/8	101.3671	
Saturday					
Sunday					
Holiday					
6	61 3/8	58 3/8 b	69 1/2 a	101.3750	
7	61 5/8-3/4	58 3/8 a	69 1/8 a	101.3839	
8	61 5/8-3/4	58 3/4 a	69 1/2 b	101.3392	
9	61 5/8-3/4	59 a	70 1/8	101.3046	
Saturday					
Sunday					
12	61 3/8	58 3/8 b	70 1/8 b	101.2187	
13	61 3/4-7/8	59	70 1/4 b	101.2299	
14	62 3/8-1/2	59 5/8	70 1/4 a	101.2433	
15	62 1/2-5/8	59 1/2	70 1/2 a	101.2299	
16	62 5/8	59 1/2	70 7/8 a	101.1785	
Saturday					
Sunday					
19	63 3/8-1/2	60 3/8	71 1/8	101.2031	
20	63 1/2-5/8	61	71 7/8 a	101.2098	
21	64	61	72 a	101.2187	
22	64 7/8-65	61 3/4	72 5/8 b	101.1927	
23	64 3/4	61 5/8 b	72 3/8 b	101.1919	
Saturday					
Sunday					
26	64 5/8	61 1/4 a	72 3/4 a	101.1674	
27	63 5/8	60 3/8 a	72 1/4 a	101.1093	
28	63	60 1/4	72 b	101.0535	
29	63 5/8-3/4	61	73 1/8	101.1049	
30	63 1/2-5/8	60 5/8	72	101.0513	

1/ As reported by the Chicago Board of Trade and converted to American currency at rates shown.

2/ Based on noon buying rates in New York certified for customs purposes by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

Table 17. OATS: High, low and closing prices, three principal futures, Chicago Board of Trade, September 1955

Date	1955 September future			1955 December future			1956 March future		
	High	Low	Closing	High	Low	Closing	High	Low	Closing
1955									
September: Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents
1	56 1/2	55 1/2	56 5/8	61 5/8	60 5/8	60 3/4-7/8	64 3/8	64 5/8	64
2	56	55 1/2	55 5/8	60 7/8	60 1/2	60 1/2-5/8	64	63 5/8	64
Saturday:									
Sunday:									
Holiday									
6	56 7/8	55 1/4	56 5/8	61 3/8	60 1/2	61 3/8	64 1/4	63 3/4	64 1/4
7	57	56 3/8	56 3/4-7/8	61 7/8	61 5/8	61 5/8-3/4	64 5/8	64 1/8	64 3/8
8	56 7/8	56 3/8	56 5/8-3/4	61 3/4	61 5/8	61 5/8-3/4	64 5/8	64 1/4	64 5/8
9	57	56 1/2	57	61 3/4	61 1/2	61 5/8-3/4	65	64 5/8	64 3/4-7/8
Saturday:									
Sunday:									
12	57 3/8	56 5/8	57	61 3/4	61 1/8	61 3/8	65	64 1/2	64 3/4
13	57 1/2	56 5/8	57 1/2	61 7/8	61 1/4	61 3/4-7/8	65	64 3/8	64 7/8-65
14	58 1/4	57 1/4	58	62 1/2	61 7/8	62 3/8-1/2	65	65 1/2	65 1/2
15	58 1/8	57 7/8	58-58 1/8	62 7/8	62 3/8	62 1/2-5/8	65	65 1/2	65 1/2
16	58	57 1/2	57 3/4	62 5/8	62 1/4	62 5/8	65	65 3/8	65 7/8
Saturday:									
Sunday:									
19	58 3/4	57 3/4	58 3/4	63 1/2	62 3/8	63 3/8-1/2	66 3/4	65 3/4	66 3/4
20	59 1/2	58 7/8	59 1/2	63 7/8	63 1/4	63 1/2-5/8	67 1/4	66 1/2	66 1/2-5/8
21	60 3/4	59 1/4	59 5/8-60 1/2	64 1/8	63 1/2	64	67 1/8	66 1/2	66 1/2-67
22	---	---	---	65	63 3/4	64 7/8-65	68 1/8	66 7/8	68
23	---	---	---	65 1/8	64 1/4	64 3/4	68 1/8	67 3/4	68
Saturday:									
Sunday:									
26	---	---	---	66	64 3/8	64 5/8	69 1/2	67 3/4	68
27	---	---	---	64 5/8	63 1/8	63 5/8	68 1/8	66 7/8	67 3/8
28	---	---	---	63 5/8	62 5/8	63	67 1/8	66 1/2	66 7/8 b
29	---	---	---	63 7/8	63 1/8	63 5/8-3/4	67 1/2	67	67 3/8
30	---	---	---	63 5/8	63 1/8	63 1/2-5/8	67 1/4	66 3/4	67 1/8

Table 18. RYE: Volume of trading, all futures combined, by markets
September 1955

Date	Chicago Board of Trade	Minneapolis Grain Exchange	Other contract markets	Total
1955	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
<u>September</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>
1	2,640	---	1	2,641
2	1,748	---	---	1,748
Saturday				
Sunday				
Holiday				
6	2,362	5	6	2,373
7	3,141	1	18	3,160
8	2,268	---	19	2,287
9	1,070	4	29	1,103
Saturday				
Sunday				
12	1,653	12	12	1,677
13	2,168	6	2	2,176
14	2,611	---	27	2,638
15	2,370	9	8	2,387
16	1,692	14	32	1,738
Saturday				
Sunday				
19	3,015	18	44	3,077
20	4,486	29	91	4,606
21	2,018	---	39	2,057
22	3,899	4	32	3,935
23	3,788	12	44	3,844
Saturday				
Sunday				
26	5,336	5	73	5,414
27	4,098	11	45	4,154
28	1,975	2	12	1,989
29	2,246	6	50	2,302
30	2,903	7	92	3,002
Total				
Sept. 1955	57,487	145	676	58,308
Aug. 1955	51,362	295	659	52,316
Sept. 1954	122,987	792	823	124,602

Table 19. RYE: Volume of trading, Chicago Board of Trade
September 1955

Date	Future					All futures
	September	December	March	May	July	
1955 September	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels
1	959	949	516	216		2,640
2	619	601	268	260		1,748
Saturday						
Sunday						
Holiday						
6	472	1,021	462	407		2,362
7	595	1,666	490	390		3,141
8	333	1,061	518	356		2,268
9	153	475	291	151		1,070
Saturday						
Sunday						
12	174	654	473	352		1,653
13	159	1,202	493	314		2,168
14	118	1,261	845	387		2,611
15	156	1,283	522	409		2,370
16	147	893	348	304		1,692
Saturday						
Sunday						
19	204	1,380	848	583		3,015
20	166	1,711	1,379	1,230		4,486
21	266	951	482	319		2,018
22	---	1,883	1,271	614	131	3,899
23	---	1,606	957	1,072	153	3,788
Saturday						
Sunday						
26	---	2,302	1,408	1,502	124	5,336
27	---	1,989	1,423	613	73	4,098
28	---	773	630	518	54	1,975
29	---	1,072	770	370	34	2,246
30	---	1,274	707	752	170	2,903
Total						
Sept. 1955	4,521	26,007	15,101	11,119	739	57,487
Aug. 1955	11,225	25,699	9,699	4,739	---	51,362
Sept. 1954	3,493	64,224	31,479	23,646	145	122,987

Table 20. RYE: Open contracts, all futures combined, by markets
September 1955

Date	Chicago Board of Trade	Minneapolis Grain Exchange	Other contract markets	Total
1955	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels
September				
1	13,712	103	110	13,925.
2	13,519	103	110	13,732
Saturday				
Sunday				
Holiday				
6	13,532	108	115	13,755
7	13,461	109	118	13,688
8	13,265	109	123	13,497
9	13,263	111	136	13,510
Saturday				
Sunday				
12	13,580	96	133	13,809
13	13,450	99	133	13,682
14	13,397	97	140	13,634
15	13,396	97	146	13,639
16	13,412	107	140	13,659
Saturday				
Sunday				
19	13,542	102	162	13,806
20	13,926	89	154	14,169
21	14,156	89	158	14,403
22	14,055	85	159	14,299
23	13,808	79	145	14,032
Saturday				
Sunday				
26	13,692	74	135	13,901
27	13,937	79	177	14,193
28	14,225	81	182	14,488
29	14,318	86	169	14,573
30	14,385	91	151	14,627

Table 21. RYE: Open contracts, Chicago Board of Trade
September 1955

Date	Future					All futures
	September	December	March	May	July	
	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	
	1955					
September						
1	1,747	7,428	2,985	1,552		13,712
2	1,319	7,593	3,034	1,573		13,519
Saturday						
Sunday						
Holiday						
6	1,116	7,547	3,057	1,812		13,532
7	1,035	7,420	3,123	1,883		13,461
8	787	7,474	3,086	1,918		13,265
9	657	7,519	3,173	1,914		13,263
Saturday						
Sunday						
12	605	7,696	3,301	1,978		13,580
13	552	7,586	3,330	1,982		13,450
14	463	7,518	3,352	2,064		13,397
15	409	7,439	3,407	2,141		13,396
16	356	7,463	3,457	2,136		13,412
Saturday						
Sunday						
19	267	7,455	3,578	2,242		13,542
20	180	7,311	3,896	2,539		13,926
21	90	7,456	3,991	2,619		14,156
22	22	7,213	4,083	2,621	116	14,055
23	7	6,812	4,185	2,551	253	13,808
Saturday						
Sunday						
26	---	6,414	4,188	2,760	330	13,692
27	---	6,317	4,431	2,823	366	13,937
28	---	6,284	4,620	2,941	380	14,225
29	---	6,268	4,620	3,035	395	14,318
30	---	6,124	4,752	3,073	436	14,385

Table 22. RYE: Daily closing prices, at Chicago, Minneapolis and Winnipeg
September 1955

Date	1955 December future			1/
	Chicago	Minneapolis	Winnipeg	
	Board of Trade	Grain Exchange	Grain Exchange	
<u>1955</u>				
<u>September</u>	<u>Cents</u>	<u>Cents</u>	<u>Cents</u>	
1	97 1/2-3/4	101 n	90 1/2 b	
2	98	101 n	91 1/8 b	
Saturday				
Sunday				
Holiday				
6	99 5/8-3/4	103 1/2	92 1/2	
7	99 1/2-3/4	103 1/2 n	92 1/2 b	
8	100 1/2-3/4	103 1/2 n	92 1/2	
9	100-100 1/4	103 1/2 b	93 3/8 a	
Saturday				
Sunday				
12	101	104 1/2	93 5/8-3/4 b	
13	102 1/2-3/4	106	96 1/2-5/8	
14	103 1/2	108 b	97 3/4 b	
15	103 3/4	108 1/2	97 3/4 a	
16	104 1/4	111	97 7/8 b	
Saturday				
Sunday				
19	106	114 1/8	99 5/8-3/4	
20	106	113 3/4	100 5/8-3/4	
21	105 3/8-1/2	113 a	99 1/4	
22	109-09 1/4	114 b	101 1/4-3/8 b	
23	109 1/4-1/2	114	101 1/8-1/4	
Saturday				
Sunday				
26	112	116 1/2 b	101 1/2	
27	112 3/4-13 1/4	116 1/2 a	102 1/4 b	
28	112 3/4 b	116 b	101 5/8 b	
29	111 1/2	115	102 5/8-3/4	
30	110 1/4	113 1/2 b	101 1/4-3/8	

1/ As reported by the Chicago Board of Trade and converted to American currency at rates shown in Table 16.

Table 23. RYE: High, low and closing prices, three principal futures, Chicago Board of Trade, September 1955

Date	1955 September future			1955 December future			1956 March future		
	High	LCW	Closing	High	Low	Closing	High	Low	Closing
1955									
Saturday:									
1	94 1/2	93	93 1/2	98 1/4	96 3/4	97 1/2-3/4	101	100	100 1/2-3/4
2	94 1/4	93	93 3/4-94	98 1/4	97 1/8	98	101 1/4	100 1/8	101-01 1/4
Sunday:									
Holiday:									
6	95	93 1/4	95	99 3/4	97 1/2	99 5/8-3/4	103	101	102 7/8
7	96	94 3/4	95 1/4-1/2	100 1/2	99 1/4	99 1/2-3/4	103 1/2	102 1/2	102 1/2-3/4
8	97 1/4	95	96	101 1/8	99 1/2	100 1/2-3/4	104 1/4	103	103 1/2
9	96 1/4	95 1/2	95 1/2	100 3/4	100	100-100 1/4	103 3/4	103	103 1/4-1/2
Saturday:									
Sunday:									
12	96 3/4	95	96 1/2	101 1/4	99 1/4	101	104 1/4	102 1/2	104-04 1/4
13	98 1/2	96 1/4	98 1/4-1/2	102 3/4	100 1/2	102 1/2-3/4	106	103 3/4	105 3/4-06
14	99 1/4	98	99	103 1/2	101 3/4	103 1/2	107	105 1/4	106 7/8 a
15	100 3/4	99	100 1/4	104 3/4	103 1/8	103 3/4	108	106 1/2	107
16	100 1/2	100	100 1/4	104 1/2	103 5/8	104 1/4	107 7/8	107	107 1/2
Saturday:									
Sunday:									
19	102 3/4	100	102 3/4	106	103 3/4	106	109 1/2	107	109 1/4
20	104 1/2	103	101 3/4	107 1/2	106	106	111	109 1/4	109 1/2
21	103 3/4	101	102	106 1/4	105	105 3/8-1/2	109-7/8	108 3/4	109-09 1/8
22	---	---	---	110	105 1/2	109-09 1/4	114 1/4	109 1/4	113
23	---	---	---	110	108 1/4	109 1/4-1/2	113 1/2	111 1/2	112 3/4-13
Saturday:									
Sunday:									
26	---	---	---	119	108 3/4	112	122 7/8	112 1/4	115 1/2
27	---	---	---	116	111	112 3/4-13 1/4	120	114 1/4	116 1/2
28	---	---	---	113	3/4	111 1/4	117 1/4	114 1/2	115 3/4
29	---	---	---	114	1/4	111 1/2	117	114 1/2	114 1/2
30	---	---	---	110	3/4	108 3/4	114	112 1/4	114

Table 24. SOYBEANS: Volume of trading, Chicago Board of Trade
September 1955

Date	Future						All futures
	September 1/	November 1/	January 1/	March 1/	May 1/	July 1/	
	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	
1955							
<u>September</u>							
1	1,444	7,202	2,198	4,117	1,703		16,664
2	639	4,803	1,948	1,992	1,150		10,532
Saturday							
Sunday							
Holiday							
6	1,060	5,270	2,118	2,575	1,310		12,333
7	1,158	4,237	1,518	1,806	1,082		9,801
8	903	4,111	2,085	1,665	945		9,709
9	698	3,916	1,935	2,674	987		10,210
Saturday							
Sunday							
12	579	5,481	2,108	2,800	997		11,965
13	1,126	4,833	1,866	2,231	1,267		11,323
14	1,064	3,116	1,664	2,293	562		8,699
15	1,028	7,582	2,558	5,327	2,433		18,928
16	655	6,709	2,089	2,576	1,171		13,200
Saturday							
Sunday							
19	1,086	10,114	4,248	5,436	2,705		23,589
20	1,033	10,599	5,659	6,358	2,747		26,396
21	2,625	12,108	4,254	6,734	3,779		29,500
22	---	17,207	10,305	12,600	6,770	1,003	47,885
23	---	14,970	9,765	13,429	7,771	1,622	47,557
Saturday							
Sunday							
26	---	15,082	8,149	11,982	7,178	2,030	44,421
27	---	11,118	6,130	7,753	4,882	1,304	31,187
28	---	8,125	4,554	5,037	4,154	764	22,634
29	---	10,550	6,473	8,042	5,404	1,304	31,773
30	---	8,146	5,593	5,477	4,476	988	24,680
Total							
Sept. 1955	15,098	175,279	87,217	112,904	63,473	9,015	462,986
Aug. 1955	62,840	190,028	54,356	53,377	19,534	---	380,135
Sept. 1954	63,405	174,772	61,931	34,807	44,842	16,978	396,735

1/ Old and new combined.

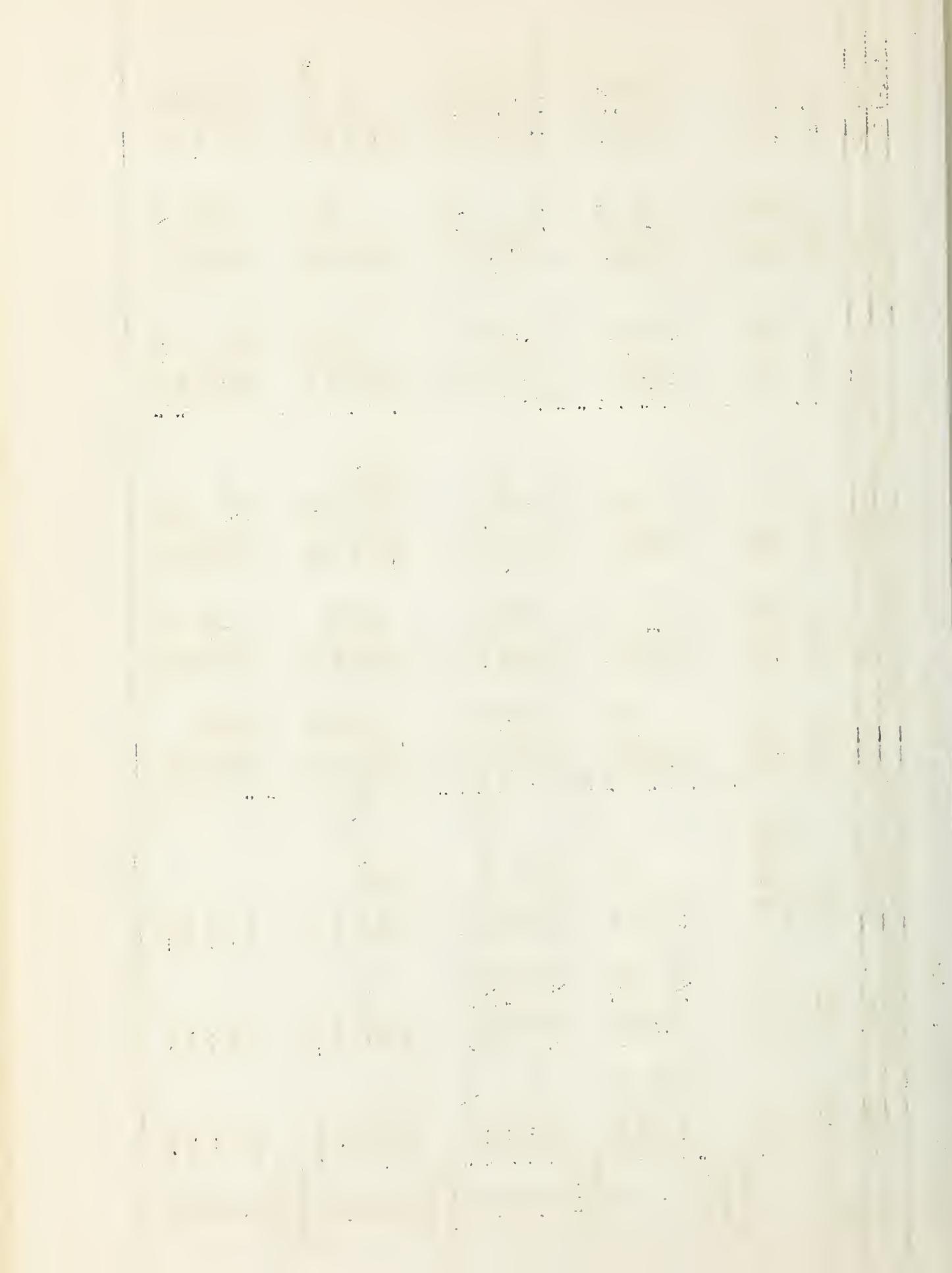
Table 25. SOYBEANS: Open contracts, Chicago Board of Trade
September 1955

Date	Future						All futures
	September 1/	November 1/	January 1/	March	May	July	
	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	
1955							
September							
1	7,432	33,247	15,121	16,925	6,618		79,343
2	7,174	33,141	15,125	17,190	6,979		79,609
Saturday							
Sunday							
Holiday							
6	6,743	32,620	14,908	17,698	7,339		79,308
7	6,304	33,015	15,031	17,660	7,682		79,692
8	5,903	33,573	15,266	17,831	7,814		80,387
9	5,784	33,912	15,936	18,722	8,052		82,406
Saturday							
Sunday							
12	5,545	34,288	16,321	18,781	8,168		83,103
13	5,162	34,022	16,690	18,660	8,357		82,891
14	4,567	33,923	16,698	18,907	8,474		82,569
15	4,049	33,517	17,039	19,773	9,200		83,578
16	3,701	33,010	17,373	20,392	9,358		83,834
Saturday							
Sunday							
19	3,335	31,717	17,361	21,343	10,291		84,047
20	2,504	30,113	17,099	21,517	10,675		81,908
21	293	30,585	17,828	21,507	11,667		81,880
22	293	29,580	19,509	22,787	13,755	855	86,779
23	293	28,440	20,070	23,195	14,691	1,388	88,077
Saturday							
Sunday							
26	293	27,092	19,760	24,102	15,863	1,826	88,936
27	273	26,617	19,871	23,568	16,560	2,128	89,017
28	203	26,213	20,397	24,639	17,026	2,338	90,816
29	113	26,164	20,883	25,172	17,944	2,918	93,194
30	---	26,470	21,652	25,671	18,853	3,166	95,812

1/ Old and new combined.

Table 26. SOYBEANS: High, low and closing prices, three principal futures, Chicago Board of Trade, September 1955

Date	1955 September future (old)	1955 November future (old)	1956 January future (old)
September	High Low Cents	High Low Cents	High Low Cents
1955			
September:			
1	:225 222 220 3/4	222-22 1/2 220 3/4-7/8	:221 217 3/4 217 1/4
2	:222 220 3/4	220 3/4-7/8	:218 217 3/4 217 1/4
Saturday:			
Sunday:			
6	:220 1/2	219 1/4	220
7	:220 1/2	219	219
8	:220 218 1/4	219	:218 217 1/2 218 1/2
9	:220 3/4	219 1/2	220 1/2
Saturday:			
Sunday:			
12	:222 220 3/4	221 1/4	:219 218 7/8
13	:223 1/2	221 1/4	:220 219 1/4
14	:224 222 1/4	224	:221 220 5/8
15	:226 224 1/4	224 3/4-25 3/4	:223 220 1/2
16	:224 1/4	223 1/4	:221 221 3/4
Saturday:			
Sunday:			
19	:224 1/2	222	223 3/4
20	:226 224	225 1/2	:224 222 1/2
21	:227 1/2	222 1/4	222 1/4-24 1/2
22	-	-	:234 224 1/4
23	-	-	:239 225 1/2
Saturday:			
Sunday:			
26	-	-	:248 237 3/4
27	-	-	:247 240 1/2
28	-	-	:242 240 1/2
29	-	-	:251 245 1/4
30	-	-	:244 240 1/4



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